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ABSTRACT

A study was conducted in Sitka Sound, Alaska to monitor spawning success of Pacific herring (Clupea harengus pallasi) before and after installation of a boat harbor. Two years of data (1993, 1994) were collected prior to construction, one year during construction (1995) and three years (1996-98) after completion of the project. Spawning success was measured as miles of shoreline receiving herring spawn, egg density, and total egg deposition. Five permanent transects were positioned within the proposed boat harbor location. A control area consisted of that portion of Sitka Sound that received herring spawn in any given year, excluding the proposed boat harbor. Control transects were randomly placed each year and were part of a regular annual herring stock assessment program conducted by the Alaska Department of Fish and Game. Habitat data for bottom type and vegetation type were collected in addition to egg deposition data. Results of the study indicate that there may have been a decrease in herring egg deposition and egg density within the boat harbor after 1995. Additionally, there may have been shifts in habitat type.

INTRODUCTION

The Alaska Department of Fish and Game (ADF&G) entered into a cooperative agreement with the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (USF&WS), agreement COOP-93-065 number 1448-0007-93-7770, in the spring of 1993 to document the extent of herring spawning activities within the boundaries of the proposed small boat harbor at Sitka, Alaska. The monitoring study is part of the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers project plans for the harbor and will be used to determine if construction and operation of the harbor will have adverse effects on traditional spawning within this area. Construction of the harbor was started during the fall of 1994 and terminated during the herring spawning time period in March of 1995. The pre-impact surveys covered by this agreement occurred in April 1993 and 1994. The 1995 survey occurred with the breakwater almost completed but no additional structures in place. The 1996 survey occurred with the breakwater complete and most of the finger floats and pilings installed. Surveys conducted in 1997 and 1998 took place after the breakwater and harbor were completed.

OBJECTIVES

The study is designed to document the habitat and herring spawning patterns prior to the construction of the harbor and to provide post-construction monitoring. Aerial surveys were conducted to document herring spawn timing and spawn geographic distribution of the greater Sitka Sound herring population. Habitat and herring egg densities within the proposed breakwater boundaries were described through examination of permanent experimental sites. Additionally, a control site consisting of regular survey data on habitat and egg density in Sitka Sound, outside of the boat harbor, was monitored through randomly placed transects. Data collection was possible for two years prior to construction, continued through the year of construction, and three years of data have been collected since completion of the harbor.

METHODS

Aerial and Skiff Surveys

Aerial and skiff surveys are the standard method for documenting timing and location of herring spawning activities in Southeast Alaska. Surveys are conducted on a daily basis during the time herring are expected to be spawning in the area. Surveys are generally conducted by Department of Fish and Game employees, with the aid of a small, fixed-wing aircraft or skiff. A daily log of herring distribution and spawning activity is maintained with shoreline lengths of herring spawning activities recorded on 1:40,000 scale NOAA navigation chart notes 17326 and 17324. The annual total miles of spawn is a sum of the amount of shore receiving spawn for the season regardless of multiple days of spawning along the same length of shoreline.

Spawn Deposition Sampling

The spawn deposition survey technique for estimating numbers of herring eggs by spawning area has been used in Southeast Alaska since 1976. It has become the most common method of estimating herring escapements in recent years and is one of the major components of the age-structured analysis (ASA) method of projecting a subsequent year's forecasted return of spawning biomass.

The basic field sampling procedure entails two-person scuba teams swimming along line transects and recording visual estimates of the number of eggs within a 0.1 meter² sampling frame placed on the bottom at five-meter intervals along the transects. Because the frames (i.e., samples) are spaced equidistantly along transects, the record of the number of frames along transects is also used to compute transect length. Along each transect, diver one swims the specified inter-frame distance and places the frame on the bottom in a haphazard fashion (i.e., to minimize or avoid bias). Diver one then visually estimates the number of eggs within the frame boundary and relays the estimate to diver two to be recorded on a preprinted data form. diver two records the sequential number of the sample, depth, bottom type, percent of vegetative cover and vegetation type. If time and conditions allow, diver two also estimates the number of eggs for comparison with diver one and as a training exercise for diver two.

Starting points for transects in the control area are located randomly along the shore in areas where aerial or skiff surveys indicated probable spawn deposition. Transects are oriented perpendicular to the shoreline. Transects extend from the intertidal to either 15 meters of depth or until no further egg deposition is observed. Transects are extended above the waterline as far as egg deposition occurs. Dives are generally limited to 15 meters because deeper dives severely limit total bottom time for scuba divers and pose safety risks when conducted repetitively over several days. In addition, little if any herring egg deposition normally occurs deeper than 15 m. The number of transects for Sitka Sound was estimated from previous surveys to achieve a statistical objective of producing an estimate of mean egg density with a standard error within +/- 20% of the mean.

Visual Estimate Correction

Since visual estimates, rather than actual counts, of eggs within the sampling frame are recorded, measurement error occurs. To minimize the influence of measurement error on final estimates of total egg deposition, diver-specific correction coefficients (h_i) are used to adjust estimates of egg density. Correction coefficients are estimated by visually estimating the number of eggs within a sampling frame and then collecting all of the eggs within the frame for later enumeration in the laboratory. To collect the eggs, divers either remove them from the substrate (e.g., rock) or collect the vegetation (e.g., kelp) for later removal of the eggs.

Estimates of Total Egg Deposition

Total egg deposition for a particular spawning ground (t_i) is estimated as:

$$t_i = a_i \, \overline{d}_i, \tag{1}$$

where a_i is the estimated total area (m²) on which eggs have been deposited and \bar{d}_i is the estimated mean density of eggs (eggs/m²) at spawning area i. The total area on which eggs have been deposited (a_i) is estimated as:

$$a_i = l_i \overline{w}_i, \tag{2}$$

where l_i is the total meters of shoreline receiving spawn (determined from aerial and skiff surveys) and \bar{w}_i is the mean length of transects conducted at spawning area i.

The mean density of eggs/m² at area $i(\bar{d}_i)$ is estimated as:

$$\overline{d}_i = \left[\frac{\sum v_{hij} c_{hk}}{\sum m_{ji}}\right]^{-0.1},\tag{3}$$

where v_{hij} is the visual estimate of egg numbers by diver h, at area i, quadrat j. The c_h term refers to a diverspecific correction coefficient to adjust visual estimates made by diver h for substrate k, and m_{ij} is the number of quadrats visually estimated at area i. Divers visually estimate egg density within 0.1 m quadrats. The -0.1 exponent expands the mean density from a 0.1 m² to a 1.0 m² unit basis. Diver-specific correction factors (c_h) are estimated as:

$$c_h = \frac{\overline{k}_h}{\overline{\nu}_h},\tag{4}$$

where \tilde{v}_h is the mean visual estimate of egg numbers for diver h and \tilde{k}_h is the mean laboratory count of egg samples collected from quadrats visually estimated by diver h.

Spawning Biomass Estimation

The total number of eggs per spawning area is a key element used in forecasting herring spawning biomass. In Sitka, the estimate of total eggs is one parameter used in ASA modeling, along with age composition, maturity, mortality, and growth data, to estimate future returns. The final 1998 Sitka Sound herring spawning return biomass estimate and the subsequent forecast return for 1999 will be determined by ASA. For comparison purposes, a 1998 spawning biomass for the study area and control can be directly estimated from the number of eggs as:

$$b = \frac{ti}{L*102,567,376},\tag{5}$$

where: b = estimated total spawning biomass in short tons. (102,567,376 is the 1998 eggs to spawning biomass conversion).

L = egg loss correction factor (0.9) that accounts for an estimated 10% egg mortality between the time eggs are deposited and spawn deposition surveys are conducted.

Fecundity

To better estimate the relationship between population size and number of eggs deposited on the spawning grounds, a fecundity study was conducted in Sitka in 1998. Although not part of the cooperative agreement between the State and the USFWS, the relationship between the number of eggs observed on the spawning ground and the biomass of herring required to deposit that number of eggs is critical in our understanding of herring population dynamics for the Sitka Sound spawning stock. The spawning biomass for 1998 was calculated from this data.

RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

1997 and 1998 Results

Aerial and Skiff Surveys

During the 1997 season, aerial surveys began on March 10, 1998 in the Sitka area. The first active spawn was observed on March 19 on the eastern side of Hayward Strait. Significant spawning occurred between March 23 and March 31 in the areas around Kasiana Island, Apple Island, Halibut Point Road, Middle Island, Japonski Island, Jamestown Bay, and Crescent Bay (Appendix A). The total shoreline (including inside harbor) receiving spawn was estimated at 33 nautical miles.

During the 1998 season, aerial surveys began on March 10, 1998. About 0.3 mile of active spawn was recorded on the southwest side of Middle Island on March 19. A major spawn began on March 21 with fourteen nautical miles reported, but peaked on May 23 with 35.7 nautical miles that day (Appendix B). The total spawn tallied 62.25 nautical miles, including one nautical mile in the boat harbor. The entire 1.0 nautical mile of shore within the boat harbor study area received spawn in both 1997 and 1998.

Visual Estimate Correction

Visual estimates and subsequent egg counts in the laboratory were obtained from Department of Fish and Game divers that participated in the 1997 Sitka Sound survey (Table 1). In 1998, calibration samples were not collected in Sitka Sound. The final visual estimate calibration data used to determine number of eggs for the 1997 and 1998 surveys were based on the accumulation of all samples taken since 1982; it is diver and substrate-specific, but not stock-specific. Individual diver corrections (made by comparing laboratory counts to visual estimates) range from 0.74 to 2.07 (Table 2a,b). Vegetative substrates, which were sampled for calibration, included eelgrass, *Fucus*, hair kelp, and large brown kelp. Other vegetation types were observed during the survey (Table 3) and associated estimates were adjusted using a calibration factor (called "other") based upon a group of less commonly sampled vegetation species (Table 2a,b).

Estimates of Total Egg Deposition

The 1997 survey occurred during April 7-9. Permanent transects inside the boat harbor were surveyed on April 8-9 (Figure 1a). A total of 20 randomly selected transects were located within the 33 miles of spawn (Figure 2a), resulting in 1.65 nautical miles of beach with spawn per transect. The average transect length inside the harbor was 185m, with a density of 138,098 eggs/m². The resultant corrected escapement within the boat harbor was 522 short tons. The average transect length outside the harbor was 94 meters, with a density of 384,826 eggs/m² resulting in a corrected escapement of 26,604 short tons (Table 4a).

The 1998 spawn deposition survey began with the five permanent transects within the small boat harbor on April 1 (Figure 1b). Surveys outside the boat harbor area were performed from April 1 through April 3. A total of 35 randomly selected transects were completed (1.75 nautical miles of beach with spawn per transect) for the 61.25 nautical miles of spawn outside the boat harbor that had been deposited prior to April 3 (Figure 2b). The survey for the boat harbor had an average transect length of 165 meters, with an average density of 277,464 eggs per square meter. The resultant boat harbor escapement estimate is 942 short tons (including a 10% egg loss factor). For the area outside the boat harbor (35 transects, 61.25 nautical miles of spawn) the average transect length was 81.4 meters with an average density of 340,622 eggs per square meter. The resultant escapement estimate for Sitka Sound outside the breakwater was 34,897 short tons (Table 4b).

Individual transect data with the number of eggs per quadrat, vegetation type, and depth is included for the boat harbor study (Tables 5 and 6). The daily aerial and vessel herring spawning activity survey log is also included (Appendices A and B).

Fecundity

Fecundity estimates were calculated for the Sitka herring stock in 1998. On March 18 and 19, 101 mature female herring were sampled to determine the fecundity to weight relationship (fecundity=226.139*weight - 3383) which was used to calculate the 1998 spawning biomass to egg conversion of 102,567,376 eggs/ton of spawners (Figure 3), and ultimately the escapements inside and outside of the Sitka boat harbor. The average fecundity was 27,350 eggs. A straight least-squares regression model was used to define the relationship in 1998. This is in contrast to the weighted least-squares model used in 1996, which was necessary to improve model fit to the data.

Summary, 1993-1998

Data collected during the years 1993 through 1998 show a general decline in amount of herring egg deposition inside the Sitka boat harbor when compared to the remainder of Sitka Sound. Total egg deposition within the harbor was greatest in 1993 and least in 1997 (Table 7). Although total egg deposition in Sitka Sound (including harbor) decreased between 1993 and 1994, the proportion of total egg deposition which occurred in the harbor remained at approximately 5%. Beginning in 1995 (the year construction began) the proportion dropped to 2.7% and remained below this level for the remaining years of the study. This occurred despite fewer shoreline miles of spawn in Sitka Sound during 1995-1997 than during 1993 and 1994 (Figure 4).

Herring egg densities inside and outside the boat harbor were most similar during 1994 and 1995, but diverged starting in 1995 and continuing through 1998 (Figure 4). The trend of egg density is similar both inside and outside of the boat harbor (i.e. corresponding increases or decreases during the same year). The observed patterns of both total egg deposition and egg density indicate that spawn deposition

inside the boat harbor continues to be positively correlated with that outside the harbor, but in different proportions for the time periods 1993-94 and 1995-98.

Slight changes were observed in habitat (bottom type and vegetation type) during 1994 through 1998. This was determined by plotting the proportion of habitat types observed over each transect as well as for pooled transects (Figures 5 and 6). The proportion was taken as the number of times a habitat type (primary) was observed in a sampling frame divided by the total number of sampling frames over the transect (see Appendix D). The most notable changes in bottom types are increases in mud, silt, and cobble and decreases in sand and rock. Notable changes in vegetation type were increases in *Fucus* and filamentous algae and a decrease in large brown kelps. It is difficult to ascertain whether these observed changes were actual. The data collection methodology imposes great limitations to what can be assumed about the habitat data. The data may only be capable of revealing major shifts in habitat type. To accurately monitor changes in habitat would require complete mapping of habitat type along transects. In addition, re-survey of precisely the same transect would provide the most credible information.

Table 1. Individual spawn deposition diver calibration estimates, 1997.

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Date	Area	BD	DG	BL	Substrate ^b	Displacement (ml)	Eggs/ml	in 1,000s ^c
8-Apr-97	Sitka	45	40	35	FUC	330	145	49
8-Apr-97	Sitka	160	120	85	FUC	1040	185	193
8-Apr-97	Sitka	10	8	7	FUC	123	256	32
8-Apr-97	Sitka	360		450	HIR	2189	227	498
8-Apr-97	Sitka		420		HIR	2420	400	969
8-Apr-97	Sitka	130	120	120	HIR	1065	455	486
8-Apr-97	Sitka	30	50	25	HIR	161	244	40
8-Apr-97	Sitka	30	40	40	LBK	183	294	55
9-Apr-97	Sitka		800		ELG	1806	312.5	565
9-Apr-97	Sitka	230	240	250	ELG	640	270	174
9-Apr-97	Sitka	150	160	120	ELG	460	270	125
9-Apr-97	Sitka	600		850	ELG	1680	333	560
9-Apr-97	Sitka	180	180	200	LBK	670	357	240
9-Apr-97	Sitka	50	37	70	LBK	340	323	111

^a BD (Bill Davidson), DG (Dave Gordon), BL (Brian Lynch).

HIR=sea hair (Desmarestia spp.)

LBK=large brown kelp (Laminaria spp., Pleurophycus garderi, Cymathere triplicata, Costaria costata, Agarum spp.(if mixed), Alaria spp.)

ELG=eel grass (Phyllospadix spp. or Zostera marina)

FUC=Fucus spp.

Correction is equal to the laboratory estimate divided by average visual estimate.

Table 2a. Southeast mean annual^a herring spawn deposition diver calibration ratios (lab:visual), 1997 (based on data from 1982-1988, 1993-1998).

			SUBSTRATE		
DIVER	Eel Grass	Fucus	Hair Kelp	Large Brown Kelp	Other ^b
Davidson (BD)	0.99	1.38	1.42	1.09	1.20
Gordon (DG)	0.74	2.07	2.04	1.58	1.14
Larson	1.03	1.10	1.39	1.12	1.10
Lynch (BL)	1.03	1.10	1.39	1.12	1.10

^a Overall ratio weighted by the annual sample size.

Table 2b. Southeast mean annual^a herring spawn deposition diver calibration ratios (lab:visual), 1998 (based on data from 1982-1988, 1993-1998).

		1	SUBSTRATE		
	Eel Grass	Fucus	Hair Kelp	Large Brown Kelp	Other ^b
Davidson (BD)	1.32	1.43	1.37	1.18	0.93
Gordon (DG)	1.16	1.53	1.35	1.47	1.07
Larson (RL)	1.09	1.08	1.28	1.12	1.09

^a Overall ratio weighted by the annual sample size.

b includes all other substrate types

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Table 3. Key to bottom types used for herring spawn deposition survey.

Code	Expanded code	Species included	Latin names
AGM	Agarum	Sieve kelp	Agarum clathratum
ALA	Alaria	Ribbon kelps	Alaria marginata, A. nana, A. fistulosa
ELG	Eel grass	Eel grass, surfgrasses	Zostera marina, Phyllospadix serrulatus, P. scouleri
FIL	Filamentous algae	Sea hair	Enteromorpha intestinalis
FIR	Fir kelp	Black pine, Oregon pine (red algae)	Neorhodomela larix, N.oregona
FUC	Fucus	Rockweed	Fucus gardneri
HIR	Hair kelp	Witch's hair, stringy acid kelp	Desmarestia aculeata, D. viridis
LAM	Laminaria	split kelp, sugar kelp, suction-cup kelp	Laminaria bongardiana, L. saccharina, L. yezoensis (when isolated and identifiable)
LBK	Large Brown Kelps	Five-ribbed kelp, three-ribbed kelp, split kelp, sugar kelp, sea spatula, sieve kelp, ribbon kelp	Costaria costata, Cymathere triplicata, Laminaria spp., Pleurophycus gardneri, Agarum, Alaria spp.
MAC	Macrocystis	Small perennial kelp	Macrocystis integrifolia
NER	Nereocystis	Bull kelp	Nereocystis leutkeana
RED	Red algae	All red leafy algae (red ribbons, red blades, red sea cabbage, Turkish washcloth)	Palmaria mollis, P. hecatensis, P. callophylloides, Dilsea californica, Neodilsea borealis, Mastocarpus papillatus, Turnerella mertensiana
ULV	Ulva	Sea lettuce	Ulva fenestrata, Ulvaria obscura
COR	Coralline algae	Coral seaweeds (red algae)	Bossiella, Corallina, Serraticardia

Table 4a. Summary of Sitka Sound herring spawn deposition survey, 1997.

	Inside Harbor	Outside Harbor	Description
Total sum of quadrant estimates	193	393	number of estimates made, summed over all transects
Total number of eggs/.1meter quadrant (1,000s)	2,665	15,124	total number of eggs (1,000s) counted by divers
Total number of transects	5	20	
Average length of transects in meters	185	94	(total samples*5 meters/total transects)
Lineal meters of shoreline receiving spawn	1,852	58,894	(1 nm and 31.8 nm of shore* 1852 meters/nmile)
Total area surveyed (meter ²)	343,139	5,554,844	(length of shoreline * average width of transects)
Average quadrant density	14	38	(total eggs[1,000s] / total number of observations)
Average egg density per meter ²	138,098	384,826	(average .1 meter quadrant sample*1,000 eggs*10 meters)
Total number of eggs in survey area	47,386,723,968	2,137,649,691,629	(total survey area in meters * total eggs per meter)
Unadjusted escapement estimate in tons	470	21,180	(total number of eggs / 100,928,570 eggs per ton of spawners ^a)
Corrected escapement using 10% egg loss	522	23,533	(adjustment to account for 10% egg loss prior to survey)
Additional biomass from post-survey deposition		3,071	From spawning after survey (8.3 nmiles*(740 tons/nmile)/2)
Total biomass in tons of spawning herring for Sitka area in 1997.	522	26,604	Total of 27,126 tons for Sitka Sound (inside and outside harbor)

Eggs to spawning biomass conversion 100,928,570 eggs/ton based on 1996 Sitka Sound fecundity sampling.

Table 4b. Summary of Sitka Sound herring spawn deposition survey, 1998.

	Inside Harbor	Outside Harbor	Description
Total sum of quadrant estimates	165	569	number of estimates made, summed over all transects
Total number of eggs/.1meter quadrant (1,000s)	4,578	19,381	total number of eggs (1,000s) counted by divers
Total number of transects	5	35	So () y
Average length of transects in meters	165	81	(total samples*5 meters/total transects)
Lineal meters of shoreline receiving spawn	1,852	113,435	(1 nm and 61.25 nm of shore * 1852 meters/nmile)
Total area surveyed (meter ²)	305,580	9,220,645	(length of shoreline * average width of transects)
Average quadrant density	28	34	(total eggs[1,000s] / total number of observations)
Average egg density per meter ²	277,464	340,622	(average .1 meter quadrant sample*1,000 eggs*10 meters)
Total number of eggs in survey area	84,787,338,000	3,140,755,870,000	(total survey area in meters * total eggs per meter)
Uncorrected biomass estimate in tons	848	31,408	(total number of eggs / 102,567,376 eggs per ton of spawners) ^a
Corrected biomass estimate (10% mortality)	942	34,897	(adjustment to account for 10% egg loss prior to survey)

^a Eggs to spawning biomass conversion 102,567,376 eggs/ton based on 1998 Sitka Sound fecundity sampling.

Table 5a. Sitka Sound (inside harbor) spawn deposition survey raw data, 1997.

Dates: April 8 & 9, 1997. Divers: Robert Larson (RL)

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Table 5b. Sitka Sound (inside harbor) spawn deposition survey raw data, 1998.

Date: April 1, 1998

Divers: Dave Gordon = DG, Bill Davidson = BD

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Table 6a. Sitka Sound (outside harbor) spawn deposition survey raw data, 1997.

Dates: April 7-9, 1997

Divers: Robert Larson (RL), Bill Davidson (BD), Brian Lynch (BL), Ed Grossman (EG).

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Table 6b. Sitka Sound (outside harbor) spawn deposition survey raw data, 1998.

Dates: April 1-3, 1998 Divers: Dave Gordon = DG, Bill Davidson = BD, Robert Larson = RL

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Table 7. Comparison of herring spawning success inside and outside Sitka harbor, 1993-1997.

Year of			Total	Proportion of	
Spawn	Location	Miles of spawn	egg depostion	egg deposition	Egg density
1993	inside	1.0	154,863,314,000	0.052	313,182
	outside	49.0	2,796,877,937,583	0.948	340,086
1994	inside	1.0	61,824,575,200	0.047	167,752
	outside	57.1	1,262,367,517,410	0.953	232,198
1007	,	1.0	04.00= 4.5= 400		
1995	inside	1.0	86,097,257,600	0.027	273,464
	outside	34.5	3,082,107,590,550	0.973	517,296
1996	inside	1.0	64,875,004,400	0.020	269,459
	outside	44.6	3,238,992,165,312	0.980	371,989
1997	inside	1.0	47,386,723,968	0.022	138,097
	outside	31.8	2,137,649,691,629	0.978	384,826
1000		1.0	0.4. #10# 0.00	0.0-4	
1998	inside	1.0	84,787,338,000	0.026	277,464
	outside	61.3	3,140,755,870,000	0.974	340,622

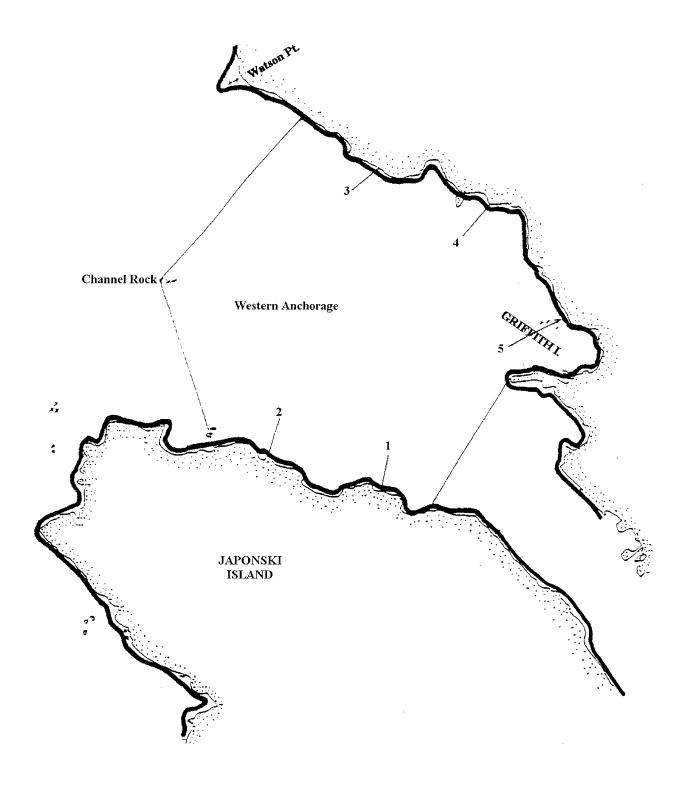


Figure 1a. Shoreline receiving herring spawn (bold line) and transect locations in Sitka Harbor, 1997.

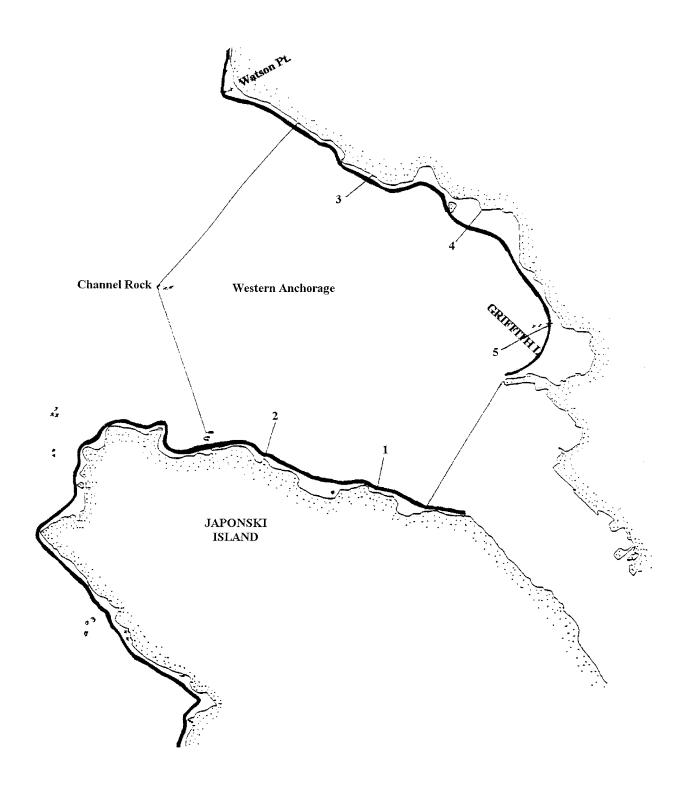


Figure 1b. Shoreline receiving herring spawn (bold line) and transect locations in Sitka Harbor, 1998.

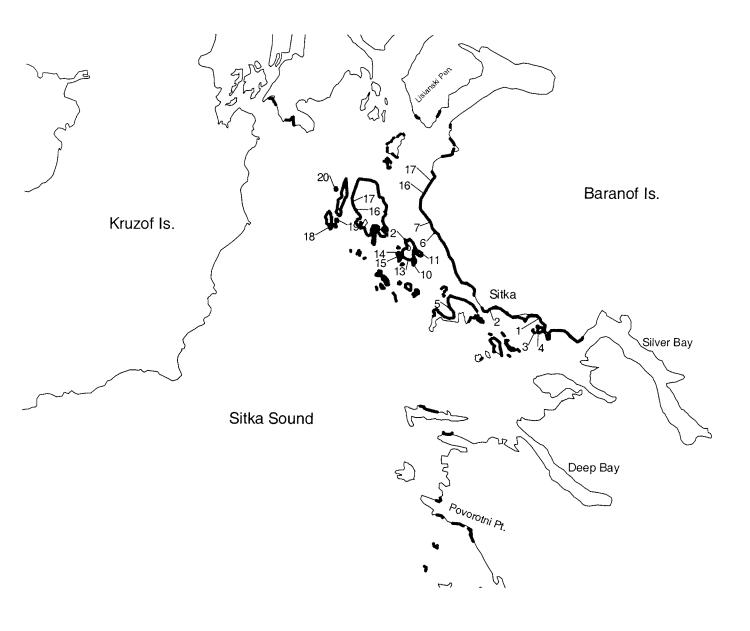


Figure 2a. Shoreline receiving herring spawn (bold line) and transect locations in Sitka Sound, 1997.

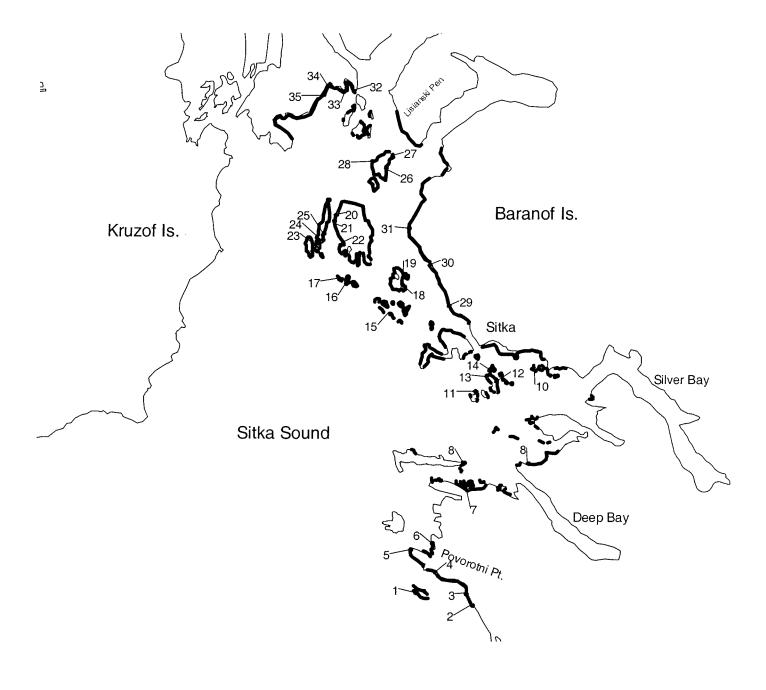


Figure 2b. Shoreline receiving herring spawn (bold line) and transect locations in Sitka Sound, 1998.

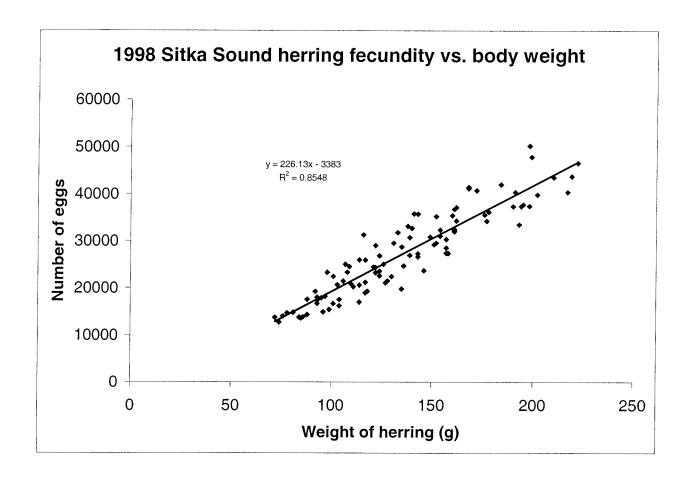
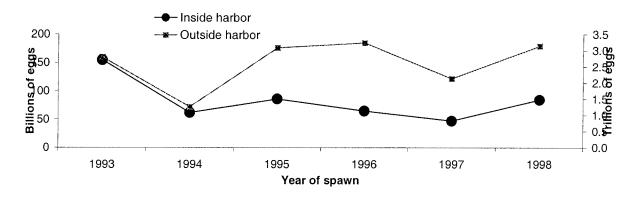
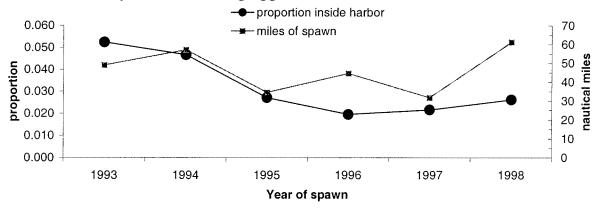


Figure 3. Relationship between herring fecundity and body weight for Sitka Sound, 1998.

Total herring egg deposition in Sitka Sound



Proportion of herring eggs inside and outside Sitka Harbor



Herring egg density in Sitka Sound

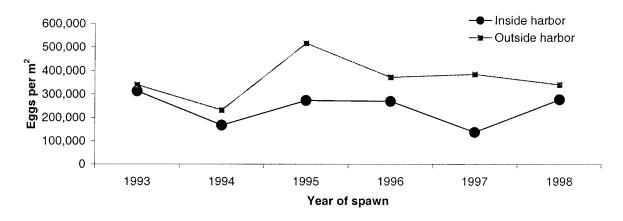


Figure 4. Total herring egg deposition and egg density inside and outside Sitka Harbor, 1993-1998.

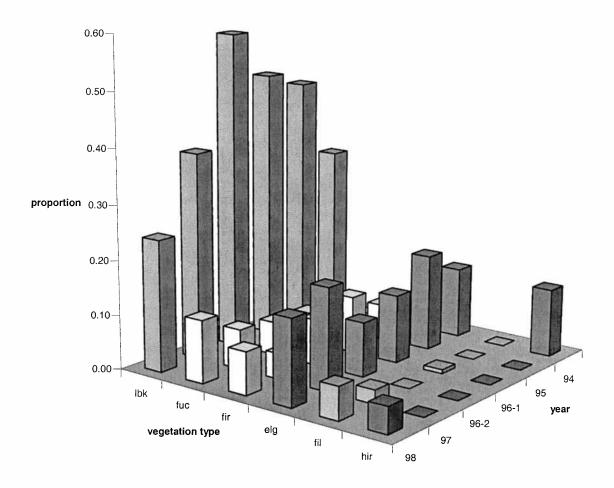


Figure 5. Sitka boat harbor primary vegetation types, pooled for transects P1-P5. 1996 first and second surveys are shown for comparison only. See Table 3 for vegetation codes.

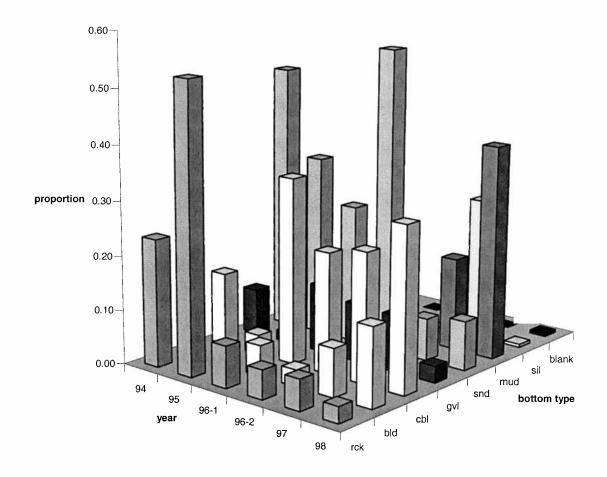


Figure 6. Sitka boat harbor bottom types, pooled for transects P1-P5. 1996 first and second surveys are shown for comparison only. See Appendix C for bottom type codes.

Appendix A. Sitka Sound herring aerial and skiff surveys, 1997.

- 3-10 710 sea lions on offshore haul-out rocks S of Biorka Island; 272 sea lions scattered throughout Sitka Sound.
- 3-12 830 sea lions on offshore haul-out rocks; 180 sea lions in areas N of Sitka Sound.
- 3-14 300 sea lions in Sitka Sound, most in the areas N of Sitka Sound, W of Middle Island and near Inner Point.
- 3-15 540 sea lions in Sitka Sound with large concentration in Hayward Strait.
- 3-16 542 sea lions in Sitka Sound, 190 in Crow Pass, 110 off Chaichei Rocks, 80 in Hayward Strait, and 60 off Inner Point. S side of Crow Pass very active with birds.
- 3-17 Sea lion distribution similar to yesterday; more concentrated in Hayward Strait and less in Crow Pass.
- 3-18 250 sea lions on Kruzof shore scattered from Fred's Creek to Brent's Beach. Approximately 2,000 tons of herring spotted just N of Inner Point. 150 sea lions off Chaichei Island. Two balls (20 and 100 ton) between pulp mill and Entry Point.
- 3-19 0.8 nm of **active spawn** on E side of Hayward Strait. Groups of sea lions scattered between Hayward Strait and Inner Point. 40 sea lions scattered among the Galankin Island group.
- 3-20 **Spawn dissipating** in Hayward Strait. Large schools S of Rob Point. 200 ton school in Promisula Bay. Two large schools in mouth of Silver Bay. 200 sea lions off Jamestown Bay. Three good schools in Crescent Bay (1,000 tons).
- 3-21 No spawn. One school (200 ton) in Jamestown as well as 100 sea lions. Good school off Indian River flat and a ball inside Marshall Island. S Krestof Sound has 200 sea lions and large schools of herring near the Magoun Islands.
- 3-22 **Active spawn** off Halibut Point (0.95 nm). No spawn elsewhere. Large concentration of sea lions in Krestof/Hayward area and off Jamestown Bay.
- 3-23 Sea lions along islands N of Eastern Channel. 3 nm of **active spawn** in Halibut Point area. No other spawn seen.
- 3-24 Light **dissipating spawn** on Halibut Point (1.7 nm). **Spot spawn** N of Sandy Beach and a **light spot** off Kasiana Island. Numerous large schools around Kasiana Island and Middle Island.
- 3-25 Active spawn Kasiana Island (2.4 nm), Apple Island (0.5 nm), and Halibut Point Road (2.5 nm).
- 3-26 Numerous large schools seen in Crescent Bay, Western Channel and Whiting Harbor. **Active spawn** Halibut Point (3.5 nm), Japonski (0.4 nm), Kasiana (2.4 nm), Apple Island/Parker Group (1.2 nm). Total active spawn 8.2 nm.
- 3-27 **Spawn beginning** on S side of town along Indian River flat with large stringers of fish holding off the spawn. **Spawn expanding** in Whiting Harbor and **spawn beginning** on Middle Island. Total cumulative spawn to date 15.0 nm.
- 3-28 **Active spawn** along E and S sides of Middle Island (5.25 nm), Kasiana (2.0 nm), Apple/Parker Group (1.25 nm), Japonski (0.7 nm), and S of the bridge (2.2 nm). A spot on Gavanski Island. Total active spawn 11.4 nm.
- 3-29 Nothing seen S of Eastern Channel. Three sea lions in Salisbury Sound. **Active spawn**: Kasiana (2.7 nm), Middle Island (4.5 nm), Crow Island (0.7 nm), Apple/Parker Group (1.2 nm), Jamestown and Crescent Bays (2.3 nm), and Japonski (1.3 nm). Total active spawn 12.7 nm.

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- 3-30 Except for one small school in Aleutkina Bay, quiet S of Eastern Channel. **Spawn expanded** in Jamestown and on S Japonski Island along E-side of runway. **Spawn starting** on Gagarin and expanding on Crow Island. **Spawn** on Kasiana still active but dissipating. Total active spawn 17.5 nm.
- 3-31 **Active spawn** S of the bridge on Twin Is., E-side of runway, Jamestown Bay, Whiting Harbor, Gavanski, Gagarin, Middle, Crow, Chaichei, and Apple Islands. **Active spawn**, 3.7 nm S of bridge and 13.7 N.
- 4-2 **No active spawn** in Sitka Sound.
- Surveyed S to Whale Bay no herring or predators seen. **Spawn beginning** on NW Middle Island, and a **light spawn** in Crow Pass.
- 4-4 20-30 tons of herring in Aleutkina Bay N of Deep Inlet. **Spawn** at Twins and Morne Island. Five grey whales off Cape Edgecumbe. **Small spawn** on Big and Little Gavanski Islands.
- Three balls of herring in Leesofskia Bay, two humpbacks off Middle Island and one humpback in Middle Channel. **No spawn seen**.
- 4-6 Two balls in Leesofskia as well as 30 tons in bait pound. A 10 ton ball E of Berry Island. **Small spawns** on Galankin, Kutkan, Morne and Katz Islands. **Spawn** on the NW side of Gavanski. Total of 0.7 nm active spawn. Total cumulative to date 32.8 nm.
- 4-7 **Active spawn** on Morne, Galankin, Twins, and Katz Islands for 1.25 nm.
- 4-8 Three **spots** on Galankin Is., one **spot** on Whale Is., and a **spot** on Battery Is. .
- **Spawn** on the E-side of Galankin Is. A one ton ball of herring E of Berry Is. 2,000 scoters N of Apple Is.
- 4-10 Surveyed Sitka Sound and outer coast of Kruzof Is. Five grey whales off Cape Edgecumbe. **Spot spawn** in Leesofskia Bay. No other events.
- 4-11 Surveyed down to Whale Bay. No active spawn seen.
- 4-12 0.1 nm active spawn in Leesofskia opposite the bait pound. 20 sea lions at Sugarloaf Mt.
- 4-13 No survey.
- 4-14 Surveyed to West Crawfish Inlet. 0.2 nm **active spawn** near Kizhuchia Creek in Redoubt Bay. Several good schools in Leesofskia Bay, and a **spot spawn** in Thimbleberry Bay at the creek inlet.
- 4-15 300 yards of active spawn in Thimbleberry Bay, and a spot near Kizhuchia Creek. .
- 4-16 **Spawn expanding** in Thimbleberry Bay including E-side of Harris Is. to Entry Point. 0.25 nm of **intense spawn** on N side Long Island, **active spawn** in Pirates Cove, near Kizhuchia Cr., Korga Island, and Taigud Island. And **spawn developing** in Starrigavin Bay for a total of 2.3 nm active spawn.
- 4-17 **Active spawn** continuing in Thimbleberry Bay, Long Is., and Pirates Cove. **Spawn continuing** at Kizhuchia Cr. and on Korga Is. **Spawn expanding** in Starrigavin Bay. Total active spawn 3.0 nm.
- 4-18 Surveyed S to West Crawfish. **Spawn dissipating** in Thimbleberry Bay. Long Is. continues to have **heavy active spawn**, Pirates Cove has a **medium spawn** with Kizhuchia, Starrigavin, and Eastern Bay having **light active spawn**. Total active spawn 1.55 nm.
- 4-19 Surveyed S to Whale Bay. 0.1 nm of **active spawn** at Kizhuchia Cr. **Active spawn** SE side of Dorothy Narrows and Herring Bay for 0.3 nm. 0.2 nm **active spawn** in Starrigavin Bay. Nothing seen in Whale or Necker Bays. Total active spawn 0.6 nm.

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- 4-20 0.4 nm active spawn in Dorothy Narrows, 0.2 nm active spawn at Kizhuchia Cr., and 0.1 nm active spawn in Starrigavin Bay.
- 4-21 No active spawn seen.
- 4-22 No active spawn seen.
- 4-23 **Active spawn** on Guertin Is. and in Thimbleberry Bay for 1.1 nm. 0.15 nm of spawn in bite N of Povorotni Pt. **Active spawn** in Katlian Bay, Nakwasina, Lisianski Pt. area for 0.5 nm.
- 4-24 **Active spawn** on Guertin Is. (0.3), and dissipating in Thimbleberry Bay (0.15). New spawn in Big Bay (0.1), and **spawn** at the head of Herring Bay (0.1). Also had **small spawns** in Thompson Harbor (0.1), the Cove (0.15), S side of Middle Is., Ferry Terminal, and on Lisianski Peninsula,
- 4-25 **Light spawn** on Dangle Is., **spawn** in Big Bay, Herring Bay, and a **spot** in Dorothy Narrows, and a **spot** at the Ferry Terminal.
- 4-26 100 yards of **light spawn** on Cannon Is., a **spot** in Whiting Harbor, and a **spot** at the Ferry Terminal.
- 4-30 Surveyed to Whale Bay; no evidence of spawn in Whale or Necker Bays. No herring or spawn seen elsewhere in Sitka Sound.

Appendix B. Sitka Sound herring aerial and skiff survey, 1998.

- 3-10 770 sea lions on offshore haul-out rocks west and south of Biorka Island. 407 sea lions in Sitka Sound including 225 off Viskari Rocks, 100 off Inner Point, and scattered smaller groups throughout north Sitka Sound.
- 3-12 480 sea lions on offshore haul-out rocks and 670 in Sitka Sound including 590 from Inner Point to Hayward Strait. Large school of herring off Entry Point.
- 3-14 Limited survey due to poor weather conditions. Several hundred tons of herring were observed from Entry Point to Harris Island.
- A large biomass of herring was observed in Silver Bay (many thousand tons) from the pulp mill to Bear Cove. A small school in Thimbleberry Bay and off Marshall Island, several good schools in Jamestown Bay, two good schools just inside breakwater, one school off Halibut Point, two good schools in Cedar Cove in Katlian Bay, and a large school of Eastern Point. 400 sea lions from Inner Point to Mountain Point and 40 sea lions north of Crow Pass.
- A large biomass of herring remains in Silver Bay centered at Bear Cove with schools from the pulp mill to the head of Silver bay. Good schools off Jamestown Bay. A large school off the west breakwater. Large numbers of sea lions along the Inner Point shoreline.
- 3-17 Some schools seen in Eastern Channel, off Indian River, and a large school in Sitka Channel. Also schools scattered from the breakwater to Halibut Point and one school of Harbor Point.
- 3-18 Several schools off Cannon Island, in Crescent Bay and in Sitka Channel. A large school along the eastern shore of Middle Island and a school off Crosswise Island. 17 sea lions on the south entrance to Neva Strait and 110 sea lions on the north side of Middle Island.
- 3-19 Still a large biomass in Silver Bay. Good schools scattered from the southeast side of runway through the channel to the breakwater. Scattered smaller schools from the breakwater to Halibut Point. Small schools scattered around the Gavanskis and two schools inside the Siginaka Islands. Two schools off Silver Point and one in Aleutkina Bay. 20 sea lions off Eastern Point and 50 sea lions in Eastern Bay. First spawn on southwest side of Middle Island (0.3 nm).
- 3-20 Still a large biomass in Silver Bay. Large schools leading the beach from Harris Island through Jamestown Bay, Crescent Bay and through Sitka Channel. Large schools in Whiting Harbor, and south of Charcoal Island. Schools also noted north of the breakwater, around Kasiana, little Gavanski, Lisianski Point, Crosswise Island, Chaichei and Parker Islands. Active spawn expanded on the southwest side of Middle Island, spawn beginning on southeast Crow Island, and at Halibut Point for a total of 2.2 nm of active spawn.
- 3-21 Active spawn on the Halibut Point Road System, Middle Island, Crow Island, Gagarin Island, Kasiana Island, Apple Islands, Little Gavanski Island, Crescent Bay and on the south side of the causeway for a total of 14.0 nm of active spawn. Schools of herring noted south of the causeway and in Crescent bay.
- 3-22 Spawn continues to expand in all areas receiving spawn yesterday with new areas including Big Gavanski, Lisianski Point, Eastern Bay, and the north side of the causeway. Total active spawn includes 24.8 nm on the north side and 2.7 nm in Crescent Bay.
- 3-23 Spawn continues to expand both on the north side and the south side north of Eastern Channel. A spawn developing at Redoubt Bay near Kishuchia Creek (0.2 nm) for a total of 35.7 nm of active spawn.
- 3-24 Spawn dissipating in most areas with expanding spawn in Eastern Bay, Starrigavin Bay, Redoubt Bay, Aleutkina Bay, and Jamestown Bay. Total active spawn is 22.7 nm.

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- 3-25 Spawn continues to dissipate except expanding spawns in Eastern/Promisila Bay, Redoubt Bay, and Aleutkina Bay. Total Active spawn 8.8 nm.
- 3-26 Spawn pretty much over on the north side. Spawn expanding in Aleutkina Bay, Long Island, Sandy Cove, Samsing Cove, and Pirates Cove. Total active spawn 5.3 nm.
- 3-27 Spawn continues in Aleutkina Bay, Long Island, Samsing, and Pirates Cove. Several schools were seen in Windy Pass. Total active spawn 2.4 nm.
- 3-28 Spawning continues at Long Island, Samsing Cove, Pirates Cove. Active spawn again in Redoubt Bay from Povorotni Point to Kizhuchia Creek. Herring schools in Windy Pass. Total active spawn 3.3 nm
- 3-29 Poor weather. Spawning on Long Island, Samsing Cove, and Pirates Cove subsiding. A spot on Povorotni Point. 50 sea lions off Frosty Reef and a few in Windy Pass.
- 3-30 Still spawning in Samsing Cove with 80 sea lions at entrance. Spawn in bite just south of Mielkoi Cove. New active spawn on Korga Island in Redoubt Bay and numerous sea lions present in Redoubt Bay. Total active spawn 1.6 nm.
- 3-31 Spots of active spawn continue at Long Island, in Samsing Cove and at Povorotni point. Windy Pass has some sea lions. Total active spawn 0.2 nm. Total accumulative 59 nm.
- Spawn continues at Long Island, and on reef outside Samsing Cove. No other spawn observed. Surveyed to Whale Bay. Sea lions off Golf Island in Windy Pass. Total active spawn 0.3 nm.
- 4-4 No department survey however private pilot reported spawn in Windy Pass from Sevenfathom Bay to Big Bay.
- 4-7 Active spawn at Dorothy Narrows and between Sevenfathom and Big Bays. Total active spawn 0.8 nm.
- 4-8 Spawn continues in Windy Pass for a total of 1.1 nm of active spawn.
- 4-9 Surveyed to Whale Bay. 0.7 nm active spawn in Redoubt Bay along Kizhuchia Creek shoreline and 0.9 nm active spawn in Windy Pass for a total of 1.6 nm.
- 4-10 New spawn in Katlian Bay (0.2 nm), the causeway (0.2 nm) and Three Entrance Bay (0.2 nm). Spawn continues in Redoubt Bay (1.1 nm) and in Windy Pass (0.2 nm) for a total of 1.7 nm of active spawn.
- 4-12 Katlian has a spot, Nakwasina Sound at Lisa Creek has 0.25 nm of active spawn, Three Entrance Bay has expanded to 1.5 nm and Redoubt Bay near Kidney Cove has 1.3 nm of active spawn for a total of 3.1 nm.
- 4-13 Skiff surveyed Redoubt Bay, Dorothy Narrows and Windy Pass adding 0.6 nm. Aerial survey showed no active spawn in the Sitka area.

Appendix C. Key to bottom types used for herring spawn deposition survey.

Code	Expanded code	Definition
RCK	Bedrock	Various rocky substrates > 1 meter in diameter
BLD	Boulder	Substrate between 25 cm and 1 meter
CBL	Cobble	Substrate between 6 cm and 25 cm
GVL	Gravel	Substrate between 0.4 cm and 6 cm
SND	Sand	Clearly separate grains of < 0.4 cm
MUD	Mud	Soft, paste-like material
SIL	Silt	Fine organic dusting (very rarely used)
BAR	Barnacle	Area primarily covered with barnacles
SHL	Shell	Area primarily covered with whole or crushed shells
MUS	Mussels	Area primarily covered with mussels
WDY	Woody debris	Any submerged bark, logs, branches or root systems

Appendix D. Number of encounters of bottom type and total number of quadrat placements for permanent transects in Sitka Harbor, 1994-1998

		Bottom Type										
Transect	Year	rck	bld	cbl	gvl	snd	mud	sil	blank	estimate number		
P1	94	7	- Old		5	Silu	5	511	Ulalik	17		
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	96-1			11		2		3		13		
	96-2	4	1	2		5	1			13		
	97	4	-	~	7	8	•			19		
	98	4		2	•	7	2	1	1	17		
P2	94	16				17	3		···	36		
	95	37		3	3	2		3		48		
	96-1			13	2	12	2			30		
	96-2		1		14	7	3			25		
	97			11	7	2	5	4		29		
	98	1		12	3	1	3			20		
P3	94	19		4		18				41		
	95	35				1		1		38		
	96-1		8	11	5	4				28		
	96-2	1	2	26						29		
	97		16	30						46		
	98		10	31						41		
P4	94	1		15	12	20	2			50		
	95	2		3		26				31		
	96-1	10		14	8	2	3			37		
	96-2	1		1		26				28		
	97	2	1	5	4	5	27	12		56		
	98		7	3		7	31			48		
P5	94	4		8		44				56		
	95	2				28		6		36		
	96-1	1			3	17	8			36		
	96-2	1				35				36		
	97	5			2		1	35		43		
	98		7	2	2		29			40		

Appendix E. Number of encounters of vegetation type and total number of quadrat placements for permanent transects in Sitka Harbor, 1994-1998.

		Vegetation Type								total						
Transect Y	Year	lbk	fuc	fir	elg	fil	hir	red	cor	agm	ala	ulv	lam	none	blank	estimat numbe
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	95	13	1												3	17
	96-1	6	1	1				1	1						3	13
	96-2	10	1	1											1	13
	97	13	1												5	19
	98	5	1	1	1	1									8	17
P2	94	15					13	3							5	36
	95	32	1	5						1					9	48
	96-1	13	4	2				1				1			9	30
	96-2	17	5												3.	25
	97	17	3									1		8		29
	98	6	10	1											3	20
P3	94	12			1		7	·····			1				20	41
	95	26	2	3											7	38
	96-1	20	1	5											2	28
	96-2	22		4											3	29
	97	34	2	1		2								5	2	46
	98	21		6		9						2			3	41
P4	94	18		3	15			5			3				6	50
	95	3		3	13										12	31
	96-1	30	2	2	2	1										37
	96-2	23	1	1	2										1	28
	97	5	4	7	8	3		1						29		56
	98	7	5	4	8		7								17	48
P5	94	5			10		5					2	7		27	56
	95	5			17							1			13	36
	96-1	2		5	16										13	36
	96-2	4	1	5	11										15	36
	97	4	4	1	28									6		43
	98	1	3	1	17		1								17	40

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